

LANGSTONE



HARBOUR BOARD

FERRY ROAD, HAYLING ISLAND, HANTS, PO11 0DG

NOTES FOR WATER SKIERS - 2012 SEASON 1 APRIL TO 31 OCTOBER

These notes have been issued for your benefit and guidance. Please read them carefully.

Water skiing in Langstone Harbour other than in accordance with these rules is likely to be an offence and can result in prosecution with a substantial fine.

Water skiing is allowed in Langstone Harbour from 1 April to 31 October in the water ski area shown on the attached plan. The limits of the water ski zone are marked with YELLOW spherical buoys. Skiing is not allowed outside this area and the islands and nature reserve are out of bounds; landing on them is not allowed. The ski area is not for the exclusive use of water skiers and ski boats must observe the collision regulations.

The Langstone Harbour Water Skiers Association has been formed to assist water skiers and the Board in the control of this sport in the harbour. It is a requirement of the Board that all licensed water skiers should comply with the requirements of the licence and also be members of the Langstone Harbour Water Skiers' Association. The Secretary is Jane Bond-Webster, Tel: 023 9235 5790 or contact the Chairman: Simon Baldry, Tel: 023 9234 3512.

The cost of a Water Ski licence (inc VAT) in 2012 is:	Daily	£ 43.50
	Annual	£ 149.90

The seasonal ski licence and serial number will be printed on one sheet of adhesive polythene and is to be placed on the port side of the windscreen of the boat so that it can easily be seen from outboard.

The Harbour Master operates a patrol launch within harbour limits for the main purpose of byelaw enforcement. Failure to observe the speed limit or to display a current harbour plaque may lead to prosecution. An adhesive harbour plaque is supplied as evidence that harbour dues have been paid. This plaque must be prominently displayed on the vessel for which it was issued. Vessels not displaying an appropriate plaque will be deemed not to have paid harbour dues.

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General notes

- 1 No vessel capable of being used for water skiing will be issued with a ski licence and allowed to use the harbour ski area unless -
 - a) It is covered by insurance for third party risks to the value of at least £2,000,000 and the Harbour Board sees a current insurance certificate.
 - b) It has a name clearly visible from outboard and the name and address of the Owner or master of the vessel is given and noted.
- 2 The speed limit of 10 knots is applicable throughout the harbour.
- 3 The 10-knot speed limit also applies in the ski area unless the boat is actually towing a skier.
- 4 There must be two people in the ski boat whilst towing a skier, one driving, and the other as lookout for the skier.
- 5 The ski course within the ski area shall always be ANTICLOCKWISE, the dividing line being mid-channel.
- 6 The designated area shall not be used for any sport involving high speed other than water skiing.
- 7 Skiing is only allowed after SUNRISE until SUNSET.
- 8 All rafts other than the Ski Association's own are out of bounds and are not to be used for any purpose.
- 9 Trailers or vehicles may not be left on the foreshore.
- 10 The Harbour Board may order the withdrawal of any licence and the forfeiture of any fees.
- 11 The Harbour dues and launching fee included in the cost of the water ski licence are valid from 1 March 2012 to 28 February 2013.

Safety Wardens and safety boats

The Association will provide these at weekends and Bank Holidays. Patrol hours: 0900 to 1300 and 1300 to 1700 hours. If you have indicated you are willing to do a ski patrol, please ensure you report for that duty.

Vessels being used by Safety Wardens shall bear a blue flag bearing the initials L.H.B. The flag must be collected from the Harbour Office before the vessel is launched. The driver of the vessel shall carry and show, on demand, an Authority Card enabling him or her to act in that capacity on behalf of the Harbour Master. The vessel shall not be used for water skiing whilst on duty as a safety boat.

Wardens on duty in vessels wearing the flag shall have the power to stop vessels observed breaking the rules, to ask for the name and address of the driver and details of the vessel, registration number, etc. They will inform the offender that the incident will be reported to the Harbour Master and that he will take such steps as are necessary. They may call the Harbour Master and hold the offending craft until the Harbour Master comes to the scene. They may pass information to the Harbour Master, reporting any incident asking for a given boat to be intercepted by the Harbour Master.

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They shall keep an Incident Log and hand it in to the Association Committee (copy to Harbour Master) at the end of their patrol. All incidents should be dated, times and full details of the incident written down, particularly the speed of the vessel concerned, stating what speed was assessed, also recording the name of participant, witnesses and other relevant facts.

Please refer to Langstone Harbour Board's full terms and conditions as detailed in the Annual Schedule of Charges, Dues & Fees a copy of which is available at the harbour office or on the website –

Harbour Manager

January 2012